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For: HEAD ACTUATOR WITH ELASTIC MEMBERS ORIENTED AT OBTUSE ANGLES RELATIVE TO AN ARM AND HARD DISK APPARATUS EQUIPPED WITH SAME (As Amended)

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated August 15, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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